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A BUDGET OF FACTS

about the

State Normal School

VALLEY CITY, N. DAK.

"The Open Door to the Teaching Profession in North Dakota."

Our Equipment

The work of the institution is conducted in five magnificent buildings linked across the campus in one of the largest and best equipped educational structures in the Northwest. These buildings, more than 500 feet in length, give space to a beautiful library, a great auditorium seating 1,300 persons, society halls, and a splendid gymnasium with lavatories and baths equipped with modern conveniences; besides the scientifically ventilated class rooms and laboratories all lighted by electricity generated in our own power plant.

In addition, the school has four fine dormitories, where rooms are furnished with all modern conveniences and excellent board is offered at remarkably low prices. Every necessity is furnished, the student being required to furnish only her own soap and napkin ring.

The Episcopal and Methodist churches of the state each maintain a delightful, well kept and commodious home for young women, under Christian guidance, and at very moderate prices.

Our Courses of Instruction

We have a variety of courses leading to different certificates. A diploma, in every case, is recognized as some sort of certificate.

We give a ten and one-half months' course for teachers of rural schools.

We give a four-year elementary course for eighth grade graduates.

We give a one-year elementary course for graduates of high schools of first class.

We give a five-year advanced course for eighth grade graduates.

We give a two-year advanced course for graduates of high schools of first-class. This is one of our leading courses and admits the graduates to the leading

GROUP OF BUILDINGS, STATE NORMAL SC

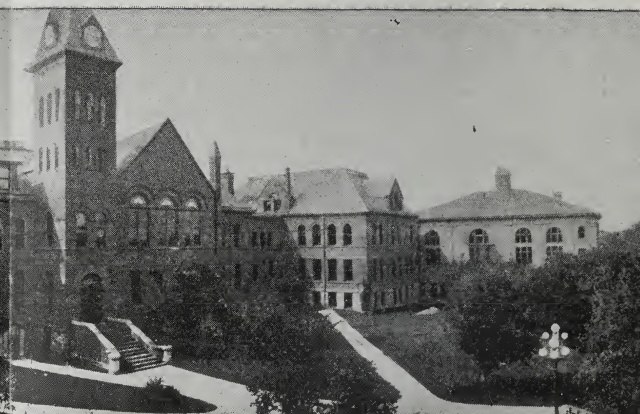
universities of America with a credit of two years work.

We give special courses of two years each for high school graduates in Domestic Science, Manual Training, Commercial subjects, Singing and Drawing, Physical Education and Expression. These two year courses can be completed in one year by students who are graduates of this or similar Normal Schools.

The elementary course leads to a state certificate, valid for five years; the advanced course leads to a state life certificate with no further examination.

Our Teachers

We have a faculty of sixty teachers, each an expert in his or her field of study, besides having had thorough pedagogical training and experience. They are graduates from the leading Normal Schools in the United States and hold degrees from the best Universities in this country. Each member is thoroughly capable to recognize and give demonstrations in expert teaching, being employed for their efficiency as well as knowledge.



SCHOOL, VALLEY CITY, N. D.

Where Our Students Come From

In our regular Normal school, Summer school, Training school and Music department, we annually instruct about 1,600 of North Dakota's most progressive, brightest, and ambitious young people, coming from every county in the state. In addition there are many from other states who seek our educational advantages. They may be tabulated as follows:

Normal Department 1913-14	750
Summer School 1914	680
Practice School 1913-14	293
Music Department 1913-14	255
Graduates 1914	170

Music Courses

We offer special advantages in music with a faculty of seven who have received their education under the leading music masters of this country and Europe. They are devoting their entire time to this department, offering unsurpassed instruction in voice, violin, public school singing, orchestra and band.

The school maintains a band, an orchestra, a ladies' glee club, and a men's glee club, each of which

students may join free. There is also a choral society of 100 voices and a symphony orchestra. The school is provided with a full set of instruments for band and orchestra, numerous pianos, pianolas, a Victrola, and other agencies for supplementing and illustrating musical eudcation.

Each spring the school conducts a great Musical Festival, and in addition, brings to its halls each year artists of world-wide reputation. Among those who have recently appeared are: Mesdames Nordica, Melba, Sembrich and Schumann-Heinke; Bispham, Middleton and Wullner. Beginning two years ago the school entered upon a policy of bringing to the auditorium each year a number of minor artists of high class, twelve appearing in 1913-14.

Outdoor Athletics

Athletics are given especial attention, a member of the faculty acting as coach. Football, base ball, basketball, and track work are encouraged. Regular instruction is given in tennis for the young women. In addition to these are many other sports having the support and sanction of the school. All students have the opportunity of entering classes in calisthenics, drills, games and exercises suitable for public school work.

Physical Education

In addition to athletics, we teach all branches of physicial education, such as Remedial gymnastics, Medical inspection methods, Playground management and games, Play festivals, and many other phases of the subject. Graduates of this course are qualified to inaugurate and superintend playground work in our towns and villages.

A county play festival, followed by the state high school meet is conducted on the campus each year.

Manual Training Instruction

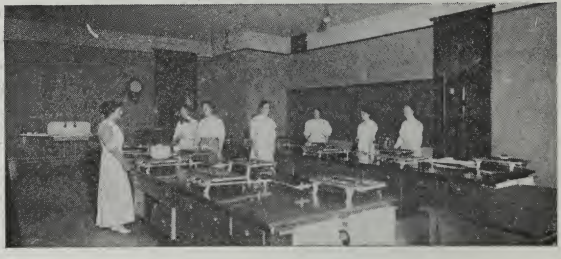
The system of instruction here in vogue has received the attention of the schools throughout the country. We not only teach manual training but we teach how to teach it, in numerous classes offered in wood work, copper work, cabinet making, turning, metal work and other kindred subjects.

Agricultural Courses

Instruction extends in a practical way to the field, as well as to the book in the class room. In addition to the well equipped laboratories, the school has a splendidly kept farm of thirty acres where students are given the opportuntiy to experiment and observe all classes of farm work. So well has this work been established that the instructors are in constant demand by the farmers of the state at Institutes and like gatherings.

Domestic Science

The new Industrial Arts building offers commo-



VIEW OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE KITCHEN

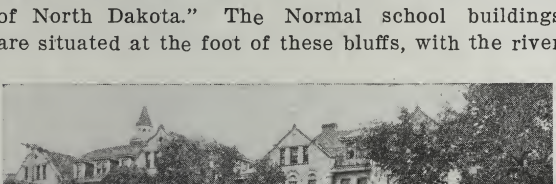
dious and well lighted rooms and laboratories for cooking and sewing. Model dining rooms, pantries and kitchens are used. And yet the equipment is not elaborate or expensive, but is designed to be the most adaptible for qualifying teachers in the North Dakota schools. Four instructors make it their specialty to fit students to teach the subject as well as to learn it.

Public School Art

Classes are maintained in drawing, water coloring, clay modeling, theory of design and mechanical drawing. Graduates of our course are eagerly sought as supervisors in the best schools in the state, and one of our recent students has been accepted in the studio of Lorado Taft, where he recently perfected the Lincoln Bust, North Dakota's gift to the kingdom of Norway.

Our Location

Through its location on the Sheyenne river and with its surrounding rugged, tree-covered bluffs, Valley City has become known as "the beauty spot of North Dakota." The Normal school buildings are situated at the foot of these bluffs, with the river



ONE OF THE DORMITORY GROUPS

winding through its campus. Nature has indeed, been lavish in this scene of unrivaled beauty.

Where Our Graduates Are

They are teaching in the best high schools of this and other western states. Each year we have more calls than we can supply; the call for young men to take principalships being over fifty more than we can supply. Practically all students who graduate in June are employed a month in advance at salaries that average better than $70 a month. Several young men have secured principalships at $100 a month and over. It has been estimated that the June class of last year has earned upwards of $81,000 during the past year.

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We Teach Ho

In the training school each member of the senior class teaches one or more periods a day throughout the school year. The work is supervised by competent critics. Students also have the opportunity to observe classes in Manual Training, Sewing, Singing, Water Colors, Sloyd and Physical Education.

Our Summer School

North Dakota's cool, invigorating climate invites to study and local conditions here enforce the invitation. In 1914, nearly 700 teachers attended our summer school. In addition to the studies boating,

MANUAL TRAINING CLASS AT WORK

tennis and outdoor nature trips are daily features.

Standings required in our Summer School are valid for teachers' certificates. Regular Normal school courses are offered with review classes for teachers. First and second grade teachers whose certificates have not expired may renew them by attending the term. The next annual session of the Normal school opens September 29, 1914.

For catalogue and further information, or for rooms at the dormitories, write to

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